

## Notes of the Fire.

Harry Francisco was quite sick Wednesday, having been overcome by heat while helping fight the fire of that morning.

Joseph Huston was among the persons overcome with heat Wednesday, but was able to deliver his papers in the evening.

A big hole was burned in the tent where the meetings are being held, but fortunately the fire was put out before it spread further.

Dr. D. F. Manning was overcome with the heat Wednesday while trying to find his account books in his office, which was filled with smoke.

Every man in Marshall was a hero Wednesday and worked faithfully in the face of the spreading blaze, which could be felt for blocks away.

Dan O'Brien's right hand was badly burned while assisting in moving the hose in front of the New York store. He will not be able to use it for some time.

Rev. E. E. Morris and family had their valuables packed and ready to move out Wednesday when it was thought the fire would spread down Odell avenue.

The Presbyterian church caught on fire from a spark blown from the burning buildings Wednesday morning and quite a hole was burned in the roof before the fire was extinguished.

Ed Page was badly cut on his left arm while assisting in fighting the fire at the New York store, which has been the pride of the community for so many years, but is to-day among the things that were.

Things looked serious, indeed, at the home of H. D. Ament Wednesday, with the angry blaze rapidly coming nearer and nearer, and the family at one time made up their minds that their home would certainly go.

Miss Mattie Brown went to the fire Wednesday morning and when she returned found that the awning in front of her millinery store had caught on fire and was entirely destroyed, but fortunately, no other damage was done.

Lee P. Viley, who is just recovering from a severe illness, was overcome with heat Wednesday while working on the roof of the Progress office and had to be taken home. He was very ill all day, but was much more comfortable Thursday.

Henry Mitchell, chief of the Slater Fire Company, was prostrated while fighting the fire Wednesday and was taken to P. H. Franklin's drug store. When he recovered consciousness he was surrounded by friends, who had his head and limbs packed in ice, and the unfortunate man was able to be around during the evening.

## SLATER ITEMS.

Engineer Wm. Anderson has just returned from a month's vacation and has reported for duty.

Hot weather, battleship engine and misfortune, has so reduced the force of firemen on the road, that it is difficult to get men enough to do the work. Any one who is at all suitable has but to apply now to get a job of firing.

R. P., R. C. and Frank Quinn, Arch Montgomery and many others, left here Tuesday for Elmore, all hoping to be successful in drawing a farm from Uncle Sam. Nearly all of them were also empowered to act as the agent of some old soldier. May they all succeed.

East of Slater the grasshoppers threaten to take what corn the drought has left and they are no respecters of persons, they visit alike the just and the unjust. They have nearly ruined 25 acres for Ed Elmore, who is such a solid republican, that he is known as Mark Hanna. The hoppers are now consuming a crop for W. C. Caldwell who is such an intense Democrat that he disowned Kentucky, his native state, when it went republican a year or so ago. They are also doing great damage to the crops of the two mugwumps, E. W. Jenkins and G. W. Fowler.

The Democratic papers, large and small, seem to be filled with wonder and exultation at the showing made in the late appointment of the stateschool fund. They are both surprised and pleased that a Democratic administration has been able and willing to comply with the plain letter of the law of the state in this matter. They point with pride to the fact that there is an increase in the amount over previous years, although the increase in fact is not in proportion to the increase in population or to the valuation of property and is not near the amount this fund will be in a few years from now when republicans take charge of the affairs of the state.

## Dolores Campbell Burned.

Little Dolores Campbell, the 11 year old daughter of Frank Campbell, was badly burned Wednesday and only for the prompt assistance of her father, who happened to be at home, she would have burned to death. Her grandmother, Mrs. Mary Campbell, was doing some preserving on a gasoline stove, when the child, who was alone in the kitchen a few minutes, went so near the blazing burner that her clothes caught on fire. Her screams brought her father who was in the adjoining room and who threw a bucket of water on the child, who was enveloped in a flame and by throwing a quilt around her, succeeded in putting the fire out and saving her life.

Strange to say that although her clothes were entirely burned off, she was not seriously burned.

## To Cure a Cold in One Day.

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## SHELBY.

J. T. McCallister went to Marshall Saturday.

Jim Ballard rented the A. J. Powell place this week.

Hayob Bro's are baling hay in this vicinity this week.

Tom Fowler shipped a load of hifers Thursday night.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Larson, Friday, July 12th, a boy.

John Birch sold this week to Marion Sparks 3 loads of cattle.

Mrs. M. J. McCallister is visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. T. Swinney, of Marshall.

Miss Pearl Haslip returned home Saturday after a week's visit to Mrs. A. J. Powell.

Mr. and Mrs. Crittendon, of Texas, are visiting their sister, Mrs. E. Axton this week.

E. Axton and brother-in-law, Mr. Crittendon, of Texas, were in Marshall Monday.

A good many of the farmers are selling their stock on account of the scarcity of water.

Ed Reno has just finished threshing a piece of wheat for Sam Shannon which averaged 40 bu to the acre.

## Missouri Agricultural Experiment Station—Chinch Bugs—Remedies.

The chinch bug disease, which the Experiment Station at Columbia has been sending out, is effectual only when the weather is warm and moist. When it is hot and dry, this disease will not take at all, and it is useless to distribute it in the fields at this time. Furthermore, the disease may be found in the fields naturally, and when the proper climate conditions occur, it will "take" and kill the bugs without the special introduction of diseased germs from the Experiment Station.

There are two things which can be done to lessen the ravages of the bugs and to kill them, that are under our control and should be used when the weather is dry. In the first place, by plowing for a space of ten feet around the corn field, harrowing and dragging brush after the harrow, so as to make as much dust as possible, it will be found that when the young bugs begin to migrate from the wheat to the corn, they will not as a rule be able to cross this ten feet of dust. When the insects develop wings, they may fly over the plowed space (this will happen about once in ten times), and if they alight upon the first few rows of corn the second method may be used for destroying them.

Second, when the insects collect, as they frequently do, upon the first few rows of corn, the best way to kill them and prevent their spreading through the field is to spray immediately with kerosene emulsion. This will not injure the corn, and will kill the bugs readily. Kerosene emulsion is made as follows: Dissolve 4-lb. of hard soap in 1 gallon of soft boiling water; add 2 gallons of kerosene or coal oil, and then by means of the force pump with the spray nozzle removed, churn this mixture for ten

minutes by pumping it back into itself. Then add to this emulsion 10 gallons of water, stir thoroughly and use as a spray. The important thing to be noted in the use of the kerosene emulsion is that it should be sprayed just as soon as possible and before the bugs have scattered through the corn, otherwise it will be impracticable to reach them by spraying. This spray kills only by contact, and hence one must actually touch the bugs with the spray in order to kill them.

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## The Ohio Platform.

from the Chicago Chronicle (Dem.)

The platform adopted by the Democrats of Ohio on Wednesday is the first comprehensive statement of Democratic principles unmingled with the vagaries of Populism and Socialism which has been made in this democratic republic in more than five years.

It ignores the money question, for there is no money question and never has been except in the minds of the selfish, the ignorant and the fanatic, who are ever ready to mislead the discontented and ill-informed.

It ignores the Chicago and Kansas City platforms as aberrations of unhealthy minds and unwholesome seasons, the products not of reason and principle, but of passion and delirium, alike undemocratic and unworthy of remembrance except as a warning.

It ignores all past leaders, successful and unsuccessful, as by right it should do, and leaving them all to the individual judgment of Americans, turns from the unhappy personal differences which have done so much to confuse Democratic councils and addresses itself to principles which outlast men and are imperishable.

The Ohio platform is one that every Democrat can stand upon. As it was not made for Populists and Socialists, it is not expected that it will receive Populist and Socialist support. No truly Democratic deliverance could be expected to command such support. The price of favor in that quarter of late has been the shameful sacrifice of Democracy and the alienation of Democracy's leaders.

We may scrutinize this platform in vain for declarations in favor of the free and unlimited coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1 for the benefit of the bonanza mine owners and the debt shirkers. We find no mention of the co-operative commonwealth and none of municipal ownership of public utilities. There is no mention of the initiative and referendum. There is silence on the subjects of government store houses for crops of Cozey's good roads and of 2 per cent bonds. In the places long usurped by these visions is found a lucid and dignified presentation of Democratic faith, true to-day and true forever.

The Democrats of Ohio were fortunate in having the opportunity first to apply Democratic doctrine to the important questions which have long been considered only from a Republican or a Populist standpoint. The thoroughness with which they performed the task proves that the convention must have been highly representative of the intelligence and substance of the party. They have blazed a way which Democrats in all sections of the republic should make haste to follow.

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